

REMARKS

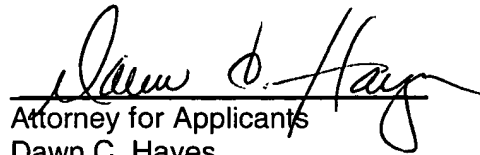
Claims 61-70 are presently pending in this application, with Claims 61 and 68 being independent.

In the Office Action mailed August 11, 2004, the Examiner provisionally rejects Claims 68-70 under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting over Claim 1 of U.S. Patent 6,398,853. Applicants submit herewith an executed Terminal Disclaimer, disclaiming the terminal part of the term of any patent granted on this application that extends beyond the term of U.S. Patent 6,398,853, including claims 61-67 which were not included in the double patenting rejection, as well as claims 68-70, which were rejected. This Terminal Disclaimer is being filed to advance the prosecution of this application.

Applicants submit that the present application is in condition for allowance and, therefore, respectfully requests entry of this Response. Favorable reconsideration, withdrawal of the provisional rejection set forth in the outstanding Office Action, and an early Notice of Allowance are requested.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 625-3500. All correspondence should continue to be directed to the address given below.

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